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Subject RE: CABRILLO PORT COMMENTS ON AIR QUALITY PERMIT

Please replace the previously sent letter with the attached, which contains Assemblymember Pavley's signature. Thank you.

----Original Message-----**From:** Rishoff, Louise

Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2006 10:44 AM

To: 'cabrilloportpermit@epa.gov'

Subject: CABRILLO PORT COMMENTS ON AIR QUALITY PERMIT

Dear Mr. Lapka:

Please enter the attached comments by State Assemblymember Fran Pavley into the record in opposition to issuance of the subject air quality permit as currently drafted. Thank you.

Louise Rishoff, District Director for

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Assemblymember Fran Pavley CABRILLO PORT AQ COMMENTS.doc

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August 2, 2006

Joe Lapka (AIR-3) EPA Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94104-3901

Re: BHP Billiton LNG Cabrillo Port air quality permit

Dear Mr. Lapka:

I am writing in opposition to issuance of a Clean Air Act permit for the above project unless fully in compliance with Ventura County's nonattainment area permit conditions.

This proposed floating regasification unit would be located offshore from the 41st Assembly District, and poses serious risks to my constituents in both the cities of Oxnard in Ventura County and Malibu in Los Angeles County, as well as the entire region.

Both counties are already nonattainment areas and engaged in significant efforts to come into compliance. Your agency has estimated that Cabrillo Port would add in excess of 163 tons of NOx per year and 50 tons of ROC. It would have the unfortunate distinction of becoming the largest smog-producing polluter in Ventura County.

I question the claims by some that emissions generated would quickly dissipate. I am informed that peer-reviewed studies have found that they would, indeed, drift onshore and add to the current ozone nonattainment problem. Recent press reports have even reported that particulate matter is being carried airborne all the way from China to the West Coast, so it appears more than likely that emissions generated just 15-20 miles offshore would most certainly blow onshore.

I believe that the EPA was correct and acting in accordance with the Clean Air Act in your initial determination that Cabrillo Port must obtain permits in accordance with Ventura County's strict requirements. Although I do not believe that the project should be approved, based on the long list of adverse impacts that cannot and will not be mitigated, with respect to the air permit, the applicant must comply with Ventura County's nonattainment area permit conditions.

Thank you for protecting the residents of the 41st Assembly District.

Sincerely,

FRAN PAVLEY,

Assemblymember, 41st District

Fran Parley

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